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Atty's Dkt: SHOTTON5 In re Application of: Application Division Peter Gilbert SHOTTON et al. ATTN: PCT Serial No. 10/549,362 Washington, D.C. Confirmation No. 1666 IA Filing Date: March 8, 2004 For: PLACING ELEMENTS IN PILES Date: June 22, 2006 LATE SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION AND/OR TRANSLATION IN APPLICATION FILED UNDER 35 USC 371 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office **Customer Service Window** Randolph Building, Mail Stop Missing Parts 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314 Sir: The present communication is in response to the "NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371..." dated May 1, 2006. Attached hereto is/are: An executed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63, identifying the present application by title, PCT information [XX] An exact English language translation of the PCT application as originally filed. [] [] Exact English language translation of the Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report containing substitute pages ____ of the specification and new claims ____ to be used for examination. [] Fees are reduced due to elimination of claim multiple dependencies. A Preliminary Amendment Copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form (CRF) and statement that contents of the CRF are the same as the] paper copy. [XX] An Information Disclosure Statement with 08A- 1449 and 4 references. [XX] Additional fees as calculated below: Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than [] 20 [X] 30 months \$130.00 from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). RATE Number of each additional 50 pages or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number) X \$250.00 Number of Claims Number of Extra Claims Rate Previously Paid For 11- 20 = X \$ 50.00 X \$200.00 \$ Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable) + \$360.00 S TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS \$ Reduction of 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Applicant claims small entity status. <\$ > See 37 CFR 1.27. SUBTOTAL \$130.00 Processing fee of \$130.00 for late furnishing of the English translation. **TOTAL NATIONAL FEE** \$130.00 Surcharge for late filing of the Declaration was paid on It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37] C.F.R. 1.17 is calculated as shown below: Other Than Small Entity Small Entity Response Filed Within Response Filed Within 60.00 First First 225.00 \$ 450.00 Second Second \$ 510.00 Third \$1,020.00 Third \$1,590.00 Fourth \$ 795 00 Fourth \$2,160,00 Fifth Fifth \$1,080.00 month after time period set month after time period set [XX] Total fees enclosed: \$130.00 Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, authorizing payment the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed to cover the above fees. [XX] [XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. [XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR 1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR 1.18. BROWDY AND NEIMARK, PAL Attorneys for Applicant(s) 06/29/2006 MKAYPAGH 00000144 10549362

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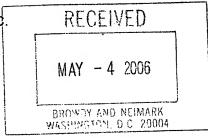


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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/14/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/14/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 09/14/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/14/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/14/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/14/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 09/14/2005
- Specification filed on 09/14/2005
- Claims filed on 09/14/2005
- Abstracts filed on 09/14/2005
- Drawings filed on 09/14/2005

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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